GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4708
ANSWERED ON:23.04.2003
RESENTMENT REGARDING HAJ YATRA
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Haj pilgrims have expressed their resentment over the management of Haj Yatra;

(b) if so, the reasons cited for the resentment; and

(c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA)

(a)(b)&(c) No. There has not been any resentment over the management of Haj. A total of 1,16,078 pilgrims performed Haj 2003, out of which 69,795 pilgrims were through the Haj Committee. Individual complaints regarding any aspect of the arrangements are looked into promptly and responded to. The Government of India regularly reviews the arrangements and makes all possibleimprovements taking into account previous experience.